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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)
Mario MARTINELLI et al.	) )
Serial No.: Not yet assigned	) Group Art Unit:
Filed: June 19, 2001	) Examiner:
For: PASSIVE POLARIZATION STABILIZER	
Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231	
Sir: Preliminary Amendment	
Please amend the above-identified application as follows:	
IN THE SPECIFICATION:	

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Page 1, after the title, insert the following new paragraph

## -- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/214,501, filed June 27, 2000, which is incorporated by reference herein, and claims the right to priority based on European Application No. 00305236.2 filed June 21, 2000.--

## Remarks

This amendment to the specification is made under 35 U.S.C. 119(e)(1) and 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(4) to identify the U.S. provisional application and under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) to identify the foreign priority document benefits of the specification.

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